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HOLDS LAW IS INVALID

Trust Measure In Iowa Picked to Pieces and Stricken from Statutes.

RAILWAY COMPANIES RIGHT

Demurrer In Case of Indict men Under Charge Sustained By Judge Platt of the District Court.

Chicago, Feb. 12.-A dispatch to the Tribune from Waterloo, Ia., says:

In a decision sustaining a demurrer in the case of the state of Iowa against the Illinois Central, Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific, and Great Western rallways, indicted under a charge of conspiracy in fixing the amount of demurrage charges, Judge Franklin C. Platt, in the district court, has declared the Iowa trust law unconstitutional and finds fo the defendant rallways.

Last August the three railways leading into Waterloo fixed a demurrage charge of \$2 for every 24 hours a freight car was delayed in excess of 48 hours. It was believed the railways were thereby amenable to a section of the code which provides that any persons or corporations entering into an agreement to fix the price of any article of merchandise or commodity shall be guilty of conspiracy.

Another section provides as a penalty a fine of not less than one nor more than 20 per cent of the capital stock of the offending company or person. This section of the law, Judge Platt declared, is in contravention of the United States and consequently unconstitutional. Under this section the imnimum fine Linwood. which could be imposed on the three railways would be \$2,280,000, of which the county attorney would receive \$450,000. The Chicago, Rock Island & would also forfeit its franchise in Iowa ing. if convicted under the charge and fine imposed might reach the enormous figur of \$19,995,000. In the opinion Judge Platt says:

"A law which requires a man who is possessed of \$1,000,000 to pay a fine of care. \$100,000, while for the same offense a man possessed of \$1000 is subject to a penalty of but \$100 would be destructive to the foundation upon which conthe effect of this section."

Further, the judge holds the indictmight be under the same rule which crossing. declares insurance a commodity.

Men Clerks Displace Ladies.

New York, Feb. 11.-Women employed as stenographers and in various other clerical positions by the Erie Railroad, will, it is 'reported, de displaced gradually by young men. They will not be forced out, but when one leaves the service voluntarily her position will be filled by a man. It is stated by an official of the company that o'clock. the rule had been adopted purely for business reasons, due, it is said, to the limited qualifications of the gentler sex for success in railroad work and the impossibility of advancing them to higher positions.

Railroad Lamer Dead.

New York, Feb. 12.-Frank Loomis, for many years special counsel for the New York Central & Hudson River railroad, is dead at his home here. He was prominent in democratic circles and a leading member of the New York

POLICEMAN SAVES TRAIN.

Sand, Mud and Grave! Nearly Caused Disastrous Wreck.

Cincinnati, Feb. 12.-Forethought and prompt action on the part of Sergeant Lockhardt, of the Sixth district police

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Company's fast New York express at

Sand, gravel, mud and other debris had been washed on the track at Elmer street, Linwood, and Sergeant Lockhardt flagged the train just in time to Pacific, besides the Illinois corporation, prevent a disastrous wreck by ditch-

> The train had already met with delay caused by the storm, and, as the storm had been particularly heavy in and about Cincinnati, it was running with orders of reduced speed and great

Sergeant Lockhardt's home is in Elmer street, above the rallroad crossing, and, as he knew the location of the tracks there so well, he believed the stitutional law must rest, yets such is heavy rain might wash down enough debris from the banks to cause a wreck.

contains a flaw, since the detention of she station at an earlier hour than usuthe car is not a commodity, although it al and went to inspect the Elmer street

As he had feared, he found sand, gravel and debris of all kinds washed down on the track, and so he waited for the express, giving the engineer a danger stop signal in time for him to bring the train to a standstill on the verey verge of derailment and possible great loss of life.

The New York express carried 260 passengers and was due in the main depot. Pearl and Butler streets, at 6:30

The train was in charge of Conductor Harrell and Engineer Keck, and was speeding along at 25 miles an hour when tthe engineer got Sergeant Lockhardt's flag from a point two hundred yards east of the obstruction.

A stop was made, the engine uncoupled and an attempt was made to force the debris off the track with the pilot. The attempt was unsuccessful

and the engine was partly devailed. Workmen were secured and the track was cleared.

Escaped an Awful Fate.

writes: "My doctor told me I had con sumption and nothing could be done for me. I was given up to die. The offer of a free trial bottle of Dr. King's duced me to try it. Results were start middle of August, and all the creek has ling. I am on the road to recovery and surely saved my life." This great cure is guaranteed for all throat and lung

LITTLE EFFECT ON STOCKS.

Result of Baltimore Fire Proves an Agreeable Surprise.

New York, Feb. 12.-The smallness of the effect produced in the stock market by the Baltimore calamity and the outbreak of war has caused surprise and satisfction in the financial world. The continued large borrowings by railroads is viewed with disfavor by operators in stocks and the declining tendency of railroad earnings adds to this feeling. The assurance that the borrowed money will find its way into expenditures for materials has been a sustaining influence upon stocks of some companies which supply such materials, including United States steel. The prospect of large demand in the rebuilding of Baltimore also has been an influence. War has been of little apparent influence. Among them was Mrs. Morgan, who is ing season.

terday, of the Pennsylvania Railway NEW GOLD BELT EXISTS IN GREAT YUKON DISTRICT

Many Prospectors Seek New Diggings While Other Districts are Besieged with Unusual Number of People

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The new strikes made within the last twelve morths in the North seem to be gold belt across the western half of the horse teams were forty miles up the

great Yukon basin.

The Alsek diggings at first were only 170 miles more. 160 miles out from White Horse, now forty or fifty miles of the White river district. Not more than 100 to 200 miles southward branch off the Chestochena diggings and 200 miles farther north are the Tanana gold fields. Beyond that lies Rampart.

Thomas Shaughnessy and William Gallager arrived today from the head of White river with the latest advices from that country. Shaughnessy says the gold found there is not any thing to startle a community, but it is in promis ing quantities. Everyhing so far is in the form of prospects with no actual output. The best pay found averaged 13 cents to the pan. It was on bedrock at the head of Hosfelt creek. The bedrock was two and a half feet deep. The other creeks in the district carrying Mr. H. Haggins, of Melbourne, Fla. gold are Ptarmigan, Rock, Sheep and

The pay found at the head of Hosfelt was discovered by Hosfelt, Swanson New Discovery for Consumption in- and Gibbons. The find was made the been staked. There are twenty-two ow all to Dr. King's New Discovery. I claims on the creek. Hosfelt flows into Beaver five miles above Ptarmigan, diseases by Charles Rogers, druggist. Swanson and Hosfelt had crossed to the Price 50 cents and \$1. Trial bottle free head of the White from Nazina. They Swanson and Hosfelt had crossed to the recently started back to Nasina with another man to get grub.

On Beavere thirty-four claims had been staked before Shaughnessy and Gallagher left for Dawson.

The average of 13 cents to the pan found on Hosfelt. Shaughnessy says, was taken from broken bedrock that twenty--one pans averaged 13 essy the information did not encourage

Shaughnessy says that no one should attempt to enter the White river counselves.

Thirty people from Dawson were met going to the new White river diggings. will be created on the Yukon the com-

Seattle, Feb. 12 .- A special to the P .- accompanied by her husband. Morgan was a blacksmith in Dawson.

All the people bound for the diggings were making good time, and none had met with accidents. Montgomery's disclosing the existence of a visit new large double sleighs drawn by double White river a few days ago, and pro-The first strike in this belt was the gressing slowly. The wide sleighs could finding of the Tanana gold fields a year not be drawn fast. The trail had to placer fields were found in the Alsek says the teams would be able to drive country, west of White Horse, and now all the way up White and into Ptarare coming common reports of the find- migan, virtually into the heart of the ing of several placer creeks in the new diggings. From Dawson to the hitherto barren country at the head of mouth of White is 80 miles, and from the mouth of White to Ptarmigan is

The district is not densely populated. Only about twelve or fifteen hunters to 180 miles. This takes them within and trappers have been in there of late. The mountain sheep was one of the chief articles of food for the men of the locality. Gallagher and Shaughnessy will leave in a week or so to return to White river.

The big transportation and trading companies of the Yukon just now are looking for the important information from all their distant posts on which it is necessary to base their orders for supplies for shipment into the country the coming season of navigation.

It always is necessary for the big companies to have their information several months before the rivers open. A large quantity of the goods shipped into the Yukon is ordered from the manufacturers especially for this trade, and is wanted prepared in such condition as will be best adapted for withstanding the peculiarities of northern climate and at the same time will please the taste of the fastidious Yukoners. As a rule little low grade material is

brought into the Yukon. The people are used to paying hgh prices, and the shade of difference between cheap goods and high priced goods on the outside is so insignificant in the eyes of northern people that the good nearly always is accepted.

From all that can be gathered in a general way so far this winter, the Yukon as a whole will not diminish the size of her order for goods. Possibly she will increase it greatly. This hope is Shaughnessy did not see the ground, but made brighter in the fact that the the man who did the panning told him Tanana field last year was far undersupplied and the coming years gives cents. The fellow who gave Shaughn- promise of seeing large developments in activity there.

Should the Canadian government follow out its contemplated scheme of removing the tariff from crude petroleum try until next summer. People there in order that the oil may be introduced have no more than enough for them- into Klondike as a fuel in the operation of placers, possibly far more traffic, in the transportation of this commodity.